Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Canceled)

2. (Canceled)

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18. (Canceled)

19. (Canceled)

20. (Previously presented) A method for forming a seam for ductwork having a male end portion integrally formed at a distal end of a duct wall, said method comprising the steps of:

integrally forming a female end portion at another distal end of said duct wall; and

integrally forming said female end portion includes bending a first fold beginning at a break point of said duct wall to extend at a hemmed angle towards an interior of said ductwork, bending a second fold back upon said first fold to extend substantially adjacent to said break point, bending a third fold beginning substantially adjacent said break point and extending substantially parallel to said duct wall, and bending a fourth fold back against said third fold to define a female groove for accommodating said male end portion therein.

21. (Currently amended) A [[The]] method for forming a seam for ductwork having a male end portion integrally formed at a distal end of a duct wall ~~according to claim 20~~, said method ~~further~~ comprising the steps of:

integrally forming a female end portion at another distal end of said duct wall;

integrally forming said female end portion includes bending a first fold beginning at a break point of said duct wall to extend at a hemmed angle towards an interior of said ductwork, bending a second fold back upon said first fold to extend substantially adjacent to said break point, bending a third fold beginning substantially adjacent said break point and extending substantially parallel to said duct wall, and bending a fourth fold back against said third fold to define a female groove for accommodating said male end portion therein; and

integrally forming a sealing fold at a distal end of said fourth fold; and bending said sealing fold to be transverse to said female groove prior to said male portion being inserted into said female groove.